

Official Publication of the Old Fort Gun Club, Inc.

The objectives of this organization are to establish and maintain a permanent organization, for the benefit of it's membership and the general public, to promote the elements of the shooting sports, hunter education, marksmanship training, safe handling of all firearms, enforcement of game laws, the values of sportsmanship, and sportsmanlike conduct. In order to further these objectives, the organization will operate and maintain rifle, pistol, and shotgun firing ranges, owned, or rented, for the use and benefit of the members.



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www.OFGC.org

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SASS Cowboy Shooting



Well another month and another shootout is behind us, would like to thank all that came out and shared in the fun. As many of you saw the Gallows is almost finished, a new layer of crusher dust has been put down to help in finding your brass, and we now have our own trailer. So you can see a lot has been done with more to do. We had two days of great shooting Cowboy Action with 23 shooters on Saturday and 9 on Sunday. On Saturday "Ambler" took first place and "Naildriver" took first on Sunday. Nice shooting guys. There is always something going on in Cowboy Action.

The next shoot will be May 21st and 22nd, so come on out and see what has everybody's attention. Cowboy stages are at the River Range, north of the 300 yard berm, on the pistol side. Come see our newest prop stage, the "Gallows" built just like the one down town. This will be used to keep outlaws and trespassers out of the area.

Happy Trails Stuck-in-the -Barrel

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New Range Safety Video

We now have a Range Safety Video. It will be played at all Club meetings and soon will be on the Web site for viewing.

It also has a drive through of the River range, showing where everything is and what you should do and cannot do at the ranges. This will be an on going project adding different things as time goes on.

This video was filmed and edited by James Shelly, the cast are some of the members of the Board of Directors and others. Very informed video a must for everyone to see.

Shooting Steel Targets

A recent incident at the River Range prompts me to pen a few reminders to the membership about safety and shooting steel targets. Steel reactive targets can be safely engaged with most common firearms. The key to avoiding injury is to follow a few safety rules. As Director of Practical Pistol, I see a lot of steel targets being used in matches. Stages at the recent Old Fort Shootout contained 62 steel targets. With 69 shooters in the match, there were approximately 4,300 hits on steel targets, all with center fire handguns up to .45 caliber. A normal Steel Challenge match with 30 shooters will see 4,500 or so shots on steel, all without injury. Two major safety considerations are at play. First, the steel targets are designed for the power of the firearms involved. In Practical Pistol, as well as Steel Challenge, our targets are made of 500 grade steel, which is basically armor plate. Lighter weight steel, such as may be available at Wal-Mart or the local sporting goods store, should only be shot with .22 caliber, unless it is specifically rated for center fire weapons. Second, we have strictly enforced minimum distances between the shooter and the steel targets. In Practical Pistol, minimum distances are handgun, 26 feet; shotgun birdshot, 13 feet; shotgun slugs, 131 feet; and rifle, 164 feet. When shooting steel targets, eye protection for the shooter and all by standers is an absolute necessity. Follow these rules, and get years of enjoyment from the "Bang and Clang" of reactive targets.

Bruce Bethell — Director of Practical Pistol

Multi-Gun

OFGC is hosting our next Multi-gun match on May 29, 2011. Sign in is at 9:30 and shooting starts at 10:00. Cost is \$15.00. Stages are currently being decided on and round count will be sent out closer to match time. We usually shoot a minimum of 50 rounds each; pistol, shotgun and rifle to give you some idea. The weather should be great! Get all the guns together and mark the date on your calendar of matches you won't want to miss. If you need more information, please call one of the Multi-gun Directors. See you on the range!

Debby Pankratz — Multi-gun Director

Sporting Clays

Just like playing golf with a shotgun. Last month we had 42 shooters. Great time and great weather. We shoot the 2nd Saturday of each month through October. Safety meeting is at 9:00 am. Cost is only \$12.00 for Adults for 50 birds or \$20.00 for 100 birds. Youth Shooting 50 birds \$6.00 and youth only shooting 25 birds is free. New members shoot fee (shooting 50 birds) the first time.

Johnny Cole — Sporting Clay Director

38 New Families Joined in the Last Two Months

Old Fort Gun Club welcomes new members. Look for these families on the range and give them a good old-fashioned warm and friendly welcome.

Nathan Ahlquist	LaDonna Davis	Terrell King	Calwb Lee	Rollie Morris	Khan Schwanhousser		
Gary Bromley	Samuel DeLaet	Ron Girlinghouse	Steven Enbanks	Jay Nolte	Larry Walthall		
David Brownfield	Travis Dempewolf	Richard Hosler	Milt Flinn III	Dale Ownby	John White		
Dustin Brownfield	Robb Elliot	Mark Horan	Andy Lowry	Lee Pfeifer	Kenneth Willeman		
Joshua Brownfield	John Crew	Keith Larkin	Phil Mariotti	Larry Pierce	Rebecca Yarbrough		
Steve Chase	David Crutchfield	Rick Land	Michael Martin	Antonio Price			
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Meeting time is 7:00 P.M.

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OFGC 2011 Match	Ja	Feb	Mar	April	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec
CMP (High Power Rifle) 3rd Saturday 9 am	15	19	19	16	21	18	16	20	17	15	19	17
Cowboy Action S.A.S.S. 3rd Sat and following Sun 9 am	15 16	19 20	19 20	16 17	21 22	18 19	16 17	20 21	17 18	15 16	19 20	17 18
Practical Pistol/ IPSC 3rd Sunday 10 am 3-Gun/ Multi-gun	16 30	20	20	16 - 17	15 29	19	17 31	21	18	16 28-30	20	18
Steel Challenge 1st Saturday 10:00 am	NM	NM	5	2	NM	4	2	4	3	1	5	NM
Hunter's Pistol & Air Pistol & Cowboy Rifle Silhouette 1st Saturday 10am Special 2nd Sunday 1 pm	NM	5	5 13	2 10	7	4 12	2 10	6 14	3 11	1 9	5	NM
Air Pistol Silhouette Tuesdays Nights 6:00 pm				Т	Т	т	Т	Т	Т			
.22 Rifle Silhouette 2nd Saturday 10:00 am 4th Saturday	NM	NM	NM	NM 23	14 28	11 25	NM 23	13 27	10 24	8 22	NM	NM
Sporting Clays 2nd Saturday (Alma Range) 9am **Shoot-Out III** Date Change	NM	12	12	9	14	11	9 23	13	10	8	NM	NM